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Dedication

To the memory of our former students who gave
their lives while in their country's service

**FRED H. BASS, DIED IN NAVAL TRAINING STATION,
ALGIERS, LOUISIANA, SPRING OF 1918.**

C. L. OUTON, KILLED IN ACTION

W. C. GRAHAM, KILLED IN ACTION

HOWELL GRANTHAM, KILLED IN ACTION

*“Stars of gold, in our service flag,
Yours is a glory that nothing can tarnish,
For those for whom you stand,
There are tears and tender memories.”*



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Class Poem

The trees awake in early spring,
And give us signs of season's growth;
They don their dress of leafy green,
And bring the balmy freshness forth.

When clothed in leaves of brightest hues,
And nature's true and noble strength;
They stand upright like noble truths,
And signal codes beyond the brink.

These stately trees of years and size,
Have borne their fruit in season's time;
They've paid their toll, an annual prize,
And built their statue now sublime.

So just the same with our own class,
The class so dear, so great and true;
It met to labor, part and pass,
Reflecting gladness on to you.

The years were spent to feed the minds,
And exercise for bodies strong;
They gathered things of varied kinds,
Equipped for journeys, short or long.

The class, in number, twenty-nine,
Embark for places far and near;
Apart, each one in his own clime,
Must now begin his life's career.

And when the class has passed away,
And many others follow on;
Ideals that live will tribute pay,
Until that final day may dawn.

—B. B. Hilburn.



LAURA LEE BALL

Columbia, Mississippi

One afternoon in the fall of 1917, a sad faced, disappointed-looking girl was seen sitting in one corner of the lobby of Hattiesburg Hall. This young person was our Laura Lee. Soon, however, the disappointed look passed away as Laura Lee made friends and became interested in her studies, especially "Plant Life." She was so interested in this particular study that she spent all her recreation periods strolling on the campus. We feel that this particular interest may have a very great influence on Laura Lee's future.



UNA MILDRED BARNETT

Walnut Grove, Leake County, Mis.

At the home of Dr. and Mrs. Barnett, Mildred became known as "baby of the family." Before entering school, she spent an unusual amount of time playing. Oftentimes when asked to do anything other than play, she would reply, "In a little bit." This expression is still used by her on many and various occasions.

Through the little home school and high school at Carthage, Mildred was very patient and studious. In college she has been very quiet and reserved.

When asked how she played varsity basketball each of the three years in college, took music, held different offices in student organizations, and then made such a splendid record in class work, she said: "Oh, anybody can do that well."

Mildred's college friends regret that she is leaving, still each one is glad that she has finished and takes with her fond memories, lasting hopes, and high ideals.





MATTIE MAE BROOME

Utica, Mississippi

If you want to know anything about the Post Office, ask Mattie Mae. If you can't find her at the moment (the chances are you can't, for if anybody ever kept pace with her or were in as many places at the same time, they were going some), then ask Addie Lou, her roommate, and she'll tell you she's gone to see Mr. Hays.

Mattie Mae's eyes fairly laugh at you sometimes. They dance and twinkle as merrily and mischievously as one of Old Nick's little imps. That doesn't mean she's bad. Her goodness has a delightful spice and flavor, but is positive.

Here she comes, late to class, but you won't mind for she's been trying to find you for half an hour to give you a Special Delivery letter. Anyway, when she does arrive she makes up for her tardiness by her charming personality—for there cannot be found a more individualistic girl than our own Mattie Mae.

No teacher can startle her. She can see quite through the heart of any matter—we would say that she possesses one of those rare analytical brains which Mr. Hurst sometimes speaks of. You simply have to know her and be with her to find out all her delightful qualities.

She takes an active part in college activities, being a member of Sherwood Bonner Literary Society, Tennis Club and Y. W. C. A.

BENNETT CLEVELAND COX

Walnut Grove, Leake County, Miss.

"He is a man who dares to do what he thinks is right.

After finishing the grammar grades in his home school, Cox attended high school at Ludlow, Mississippi. He then took up the teaching profession and followed it for six years. In September, 1916, Bennett entered the Mississippi Normal College. When the United States declared war on Germany, he went into the army as a private, and after a few months was promoted to sergeant, and served in this capacity for the remaining eighteen months.

Cox graduates this session with honors. He has taken an active part in the student organizations; served as chairman of Bible Study; secretary and vice-president of the Y. M. C. A., representative of our student-body at the Students' International Convention at Des Moines, Iowa, secretary of the Story Tellers' League and president of the Prestonian Literary Society. He has proved a faithful worker in these capacities. He is editor-in-chief of the 1919-1920 Annual. Bennett is by half an inch the tallest man on the campus. He possesses this distinction by having attained the height of six feet, five and one-half inches.





SUSIE CALLIHAN

Cruger, Mississippi

Good, reliable Susie, beloved by each and every one. She is a girl constant and true in all things. No one ever went to her for help, no matter how trivial or important it might have been, but that she gave it willingly. Her generosity, lovable character and sweet disposition won for her a place in the hearts of her teachers and school-mates that shall always be kept just for Susie. She has been described as being "just sweet."

We can attribute to her the virtue of wisdom for she has learned her profession in the dear school of experience. Six years has she taught the "tender,

young idea how to shoot," and each year finds her more fitted for her labors. As teacher and student, she is a force, not only in the class room, but in the larger field of daily living.

MARGARET CHILDRESS

Sartartia, Mississippi

"In full-blown dignity
See Wolsey stand,
Law in his voice,
And fortune in his hand."

Thus it was three years ago when a daughter of the Delta, from the banks of the Yazoo joined us. She signed her name Margaret Childress — was she dignified? Some of the new students looked on in awe and thought she was a "faculty."

Only a few months had passed when she became a favorite with faculty and students. Even our Camp Shelby friends seemed favorably impressed with her, for—

"Maggie is pretty to look at
Maggie's a loving lass."

Her popularity among the students was attested when she was elected secretary of the Diploma Class, president of the Story Tellers' League. She was also the chairman of the Cheer Leaders and by her pep and ginger helped our eleven to bring home more than one scalp.

Our lassie has been a student, too. Each term her name is read out on the "A" list. When we inquire into her future occupation, she is unable to answer, as she hasn't fully decided whether she shall make her specialty Domestic Science and Geometry.

We hope when she gets her diploma she will cease to say, "I'm so peeved," but rather "You know, this is wonderful."





BEULAH MAE D'OLIVE

Hattiesburg, Forrest County, Miss.

One of her most striking characteristics is her great love for literature and history. Her life seems to be bubbling over with joy, which she wishes to share with the other students. While she is friendly with all the students in the college, she is the radiant center of a circle of friends whose tastes are congenial with her own, whether they cherish exactly her ideals or not. Wherever she goes, she carries with her an atmosphere of cheerfulness and joy.

SUSIE ELLINGTON

Magnolia, Mississippi

"All the world's a stage
And men and women merely players;
They have their exits and entrances,
And one man in his time plays many
parts."

Susie enters the Normal College and captivates the hearts of all by her beauty and charm. She becomes an active member of the Story Tellers' League, Sherwood Bonner Literary Society, Glee Club and Choir; takes a major part in athletics and dramatics. In her last year she is made vice-president of the Student Body.

Her popularity increases not only among the girls of her acquaintance but among the boys. All love her and now instead of dignifying her with "Miss Ellington," call her "Snootie." She answers everything with a hearty "yeah" unless it pertains to "Woods," then she says, "Aw, now."

She is never known to study except when going to class, as was noticed when she "pursued on horseback," applied psychology.

To psychology you go,
The bell invites you,
Hear it not "Snootie,"
It is a knell
That summons you to Heaven or to Hell.





BETTIE FORD

Cohay, Smith County, Mississippi

"Loyal-hearted, strong of mind,
A finer girl nowhere you'll find."

Though she is not large in stature, Bettie expects to reach great heights, being one of the most aspiring and ambitious members of our class. She possesses an unlimited amount of patience, energy, loyalty, and, best of all, a "never-give-up" spirit. She can always be depended on to know everything from the minutest detail about the study of English to the most important laws of Psychology. If you want an original idea on anything from a "Society Prophecy" to new views of "Social Hour," go to Bettie.

A sufficient proof of her mastery of her work is that she is ever found on the "A" list.

She is responsive to all calls, and takes active part in religious work. She is an enthusiastic member of the Hiking Club and Volley Ball team. Although she is a "Ford," she possesses enough dignity to be a very efficient member of the Honor Council.

We feel sure that our capable, ambitious Bettie will some day be a very prominent woman, and, in these days of suffrage, there is no telling what position she may some day hold.

MYRTIS FULTON

Louisville, Mississippi

"A more precious gem cannot be found
than a sweet girl without a frown."

On first acquaintance, one would never guess how much of fun Myrtis has about her, for she has the appearance of being very reserved. To her friends, however, Myrtis is a constant source of amusement, for she has a dry wit that makes everyone smile. Her sunniness of disposition and her un-failing good humor win a firm place in the hearts of all who come to know her.

Myrtis was graduated from the Noxapater Agricultural High School in the spring of 1917. Deciding upon teaching as a career, she entered the Normal College in September, 1917. Her favorite study was history. She could always find time to read something about the war, no matter how busy.





J. B. GEORGE

Saltillo, Lee County, Mississippi

In the person of J. B. George, we have one of Lee county's best products. From a farm near Saltillo, Miss., he came to the Normal College to preserve the greatness of his name, county and state, and to become a factor of the "Normal College Spirit." The life of this student before his coming to the Normal College may be given in short by stating that with him came a name more valuable than great riches.

As a consequence of possessing the qualities of cheerfulness, sincerity, thoughtfulness, good judgment, conscientiousness, and keenness in discovering his duty, he formed friendships of the lasting type. After spending eleven months in the World War, and, at various time while in school, serving in the capacity of president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer of the Prestonian Literary Society, member of the Honor Council, member of the Debating Team, chairman of the Bible Study Committee, chairman of the Devotional Committee, and president of the Y. M. C. A., he has demonstrated his character to be one of sterling quality.

ELSIE HATTEN

Wiggins, Mississippi

"Earnest in purpose.
Earnest in thought.
She worketh earnestly."

"This is "Elsie," sweet and staid in all of her ways, capable and efficient in her work. Like the Master, her mission seems to be serving her fellow-man, and she is faithfully fulfilling it. Many times has the remark been made, "Go to Elsie Hatten, she will help you," and no matter the problem, Elsie always has a solution. When circumstances are reversed and she is to receive help, she ponders the matter carefully with the thought, "Will it look selfish in me to do that?" Not one selfish act can be ascribe to her life among us.

She was an active member of the Sherwood Bonner Literary Society, Volley Ball team, and president of the Y. W. C. A. So zealously did she perform her duties as president of the Y. W. that each person in school felt the influence of her strong christian character.

In all her conscientiousness, however, she sometimes announced that prayer meeting for the girls would be held in Forrest County Hall. The general laughter brought forth by the mistake in naming the hall, always made Elsie blush, but everyone knew it was only the twist of the tongue.

Elsie is the artist of our class. She revels in the joy of drawing and painting, and if no obstacles arise, she is sure to win distinction for herself in this work.





BERNICE SIGLER HENDERSON

Hot Springs, Arkansas

"Truth from her lips prevailed with double sway."

After journeying around to several places, Bernice travelled down to Mississippi and landed at the Normal College.

She resembles another great American in one respect. Her slogan seems to be, "I must never tell a lie." This trait, though troublesome to her friends, has endeared her to their hearts.

We cannot miss this "Opp"-ortunity to mention that although Bernice has never made known to any one her ambition, we know that she will go on

her "truth-telling way" gladdening hearts with her sweet voice and manner.



BENNIE HILBUN

Soso, Mississippi

"His heart and hand both open and both free;

For what he has, he gives; what he thinks he shows;

Yet gives he not 'till judgment guides his bounty."

President of the Y. M. C. A., 1919-1920; editor-in-chief of the Normal College News; Platonian Literary Society, and member of basketball team.

By some of the instructors, Bennie is called "Mr. Hilbun." To his classmates he is known as "Bennie." To the people of Jones county he is "Little Bennie," being smaller than another Bennie of the same name.



To the student-body he is the one who stands behind the counter in the book store and takes all the money. But for the money he takes, one gets, not only books and stationery, but the cheer of his genial smile and the charm of his laughing blue eyes. To all Bennie is known as a reliable, helpful person to whom no one ever appeals in vain.



JESSYE LEFLORE

Crystal Springs, Copiah County, Miss.

"A smile for all, a greeting glad,
An amiable, jolly way she had."

Jessye is recognized by all who know her as one of the most amiable girls who ever attended the Normal College. However, if we should stop with this thought we would only get a narrow insight into the life of this charming young lady. Let us think for a moment of the many student activities into which she entered. The following were the offices held by her: Secretary of the Student Government Association; president of the Sherwood Bonner Literary Society; Business Manager of the Annual; member of the

Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, and the the Varsity Basket Ball team. She was a faithful student, and diligently pursued all her school work—hence she always enjoyed the pleasureable sensation of hearing her name called on the "A" list. Everyone has a favorite subject—in her case it chanced to be "French," the instructor of which she preferred to be direct from Paris. (Miss.). She classified for double periods in this course and was inclined to take it out of class at any convenient time, especially during social hours of Sunday, Tuesday and Saturday evenings.



GAY MANTON

Foxworth, Mississippi

"Grace was in all her steps, heav'n in
her eye,

In every gesture dignity and love."

She is gentle and kind to everyone, very modest and quiet, earnest in purpose, and conscientious in her work. She was a member of the Sherwood Bonner Literary Society, Y. W. C. A., Hiking Club and Volley Ball team. In fact, Gay entered every college activity with zest—save that of "Campus Course." And we, who know her best, are certain that letters from a "young Prof. back home," explain this seeming indifference. After completing her college course at the close of the third

term of this session, Gay went to West Point—well, she said, to teach school.





MRS. J. E. MERKEL
Hattiesburg, Forrest County, Miss.
Biography

This reference is to be of one of the most likeable and dependable members of our class. When Mrs. Merkel is asked to serve on any sort of committee pertaining to school activities, one may be assured that she'll do her part and do it well.

In fact, she is one of the most conscientious class members. Never failing in the accomplishments of her aims—whether they be in class work or student activities.

Mrs. Merkel's objective is Cornell University and we feel sure she's going to get there and be successful in mastering the course she's planning to take. Several years before entering our class, Mrs. Merkel attended L. I. & C., after which she was married and came to live in Hattiesburg.

But who could live for very long close to a good school like ours without getting interested in it? So Mrs. Merkel decided that before going to Cornell she would graduate from the Normal College.

OTHO MESSER
Sumrall, Miss.

'Twas something wiser than fate that gave us the privilege of having him a member of our class. He, with a number of others, left his work in this College and went to answer his country's call in 1917. After more than two years of faithful service, he returned and finished his course here.

His qualities we dare not mention, because—well, perhaps too many girls would choose him for their ideal! However, it may be safe to say that, as a rule, he is very congenial. He'd rather say, "You win! You win!" than to argue any day. But wait 'till he's a bit worried, then—"Great Gee!" or "Ah, for Goodness Sake!"

He has been a loyal student in every way, ready always to support every phase of College activities. He has made a splendid president of the Athletic Association this year. As a student, he is one of the best, standing high in the estimation of both faculty and students.

All in all, he is a MAN—ambitious, successful, deserving and we unhesitatingly predict for him a great success in any work he may choose.





GEORGE MINOR McLENDON

Sandersville, Jones County, Mississippi

George is an illustration of the saying, "All valuable articles come in small packages."

In the fall of 1913 he entered the Mississippi Normal College. When the call came for volunteers, he enlisted at once in the U. S. Navy. About one month after war was declared, George sailed with the Second Destroyer Flotilla for France.

Then when the armistice was signed, George returned to the States with a good record behind him. He was discharged from service February 28, 1919, and returned to the Normal College.

George made a good record in college. He took an active part in athletics, society and Y. M. C. A. work. He was always ready to respond when duty called. The friendly spirit with which he met the students made every one a friend to him. He held many responsible offices while in college. He was president of the Student Government Association in 1919-1920.

RICHARD CURTIS MOORE

Ittawamba County, Mississippi

Richard Curtis Moore came to us from the hills of Ittawamba. Like so many of our great men, he is a "hill-billy." We all prophesy for him a very bright future, because of studious habits and record at the Normal College. Mr. Moore is one of '20's favorites. Some members held him in awe until recently, when somebody dubbed him "Dicky Boy." Really, "Dicky Boy" sounds more friendly than the name "Mr. Moore."

Moore received a B. S. degree at the Tennessee State Normal College, Henderson, Tenn., before he entered here. After spending one session with us, he joined the colors of our Nation and served several months overseas. By chance, he was discharged in time to put in the full session of 1919-'20, in which he received his diploma.

Moore has proved to be an excellent officer in various students' organizations at the Normal College. In '17 he was chosen for Honor Council, and Y. M. C. A. Cabinet. He has made a good president for the Platonian Literary Society a number of times, and was a member of the College Quartet in the sessions of '17, '18, '19, '20.





ALMA PRIDGEN

Wiggins, Stone County, Mississippi

Alma has proved her ability as a live-wire in all student activities of the Normal College, in that she is now vice-president of the Diploma Class and a member of the Honor Council. She has also taken an active part in other student organizations.

She is very reserved in manner but possesses a streak of spice that supplies the "pep" in time of need. She has been spoken of as being distant, but to know her is to admire her and find out her sterling qualities. Wherever she goes to answer her call as a teacher, we take special pride in offering the people a leader and a true representative of the Normal College.



LOUISA PARKER

Gulfport, Mississippi

"A perfect woman, nobly planned,
To war, to comfort and command."

We first knew her as "that brown-eyed girl in the postoffice," but soon we found ourselves telling her the secrets of our hearts, and asking her advice. Her reply always was, "I don't know," but when we left her, we felt much better. She knows the secret of winning friends.

Louisa has been one of the most capable and popular girls of our class. She was a member of the Sherwood Bonner Literary Society, and of the Tennis Club, member of the Honor Council and treasurer of the Y.W.C.A.



KATHRYN PHILLIPS

Shannon, Lee County, Mississippi

"A girl as true and sweet and strong
As the first wild breath of spring."

Kathryn, known to her girl friends as "K. P.," fairly radiates sunshine. The twinkle in her eye, the dimples in her cheeks, and her merry laugh have captured more than one heart. But in spite of her attractiveness, Kathryn is very capable and dignified, being a member of the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, president of Mississippian Literary Society, president of Hiking Club, and member of Volley Ball team.

She is the only girl who has brains enough to engage constantly in social hour and make the "All A" list every term.

Kathryn is studying to be a missionary, but judging from her extreme diligence of late in tatting and other fancy work, we would say that her mission is to be specialized and limited.



WILLENA RATLIFF

Kosciusko, Mississippi

Our Willena, "pleasingly plump," believes in "doing things freely." She dispenses her smiles and good cheer "freely." She studies "freely"—that is when she studies at all, which is on the way to class. She being endowed with unusual intellect can afford to spend her time in needlework. Wise Willena! She knows "practice makes perfect." Her ambition is to be an artistic Home Science teacher. She goes to Peabody soon after leaving us to begin a course in Home Economics.

She is noted for losing things. She lost her suit case one time and her purse twice, but never once lost her radiant smile nor her sense of humor. Even though she was frantic with horror the time she opened her suit case and found she had exchanged for one containing "intoxicating drinks," her sense of humor came to her rescue and she thoroughly enjoyed the situation.





RACHEL WADE

Hazlehurst, Mississippi

"Vanish care and exit sorrow,

Worry never, always hope;

Take today, forget tomorrow,

This is "Wa-Wa's" favorite dope."

Rachel, better known as "Wa-Wa," hails from Hazlehurst, Mississippi. She was a member of the class that graduated from the H. H. S. in 1918. She has studied hard and smiled her way through M. N. C. Rachel's ambition is to have a pretty little bungalow. Now we know that she is a great lover of beauty and romance. Will this little bungalow be located in some enchanted spot, surrounded by beautiful trees

with a quiet "Lane" leading to it? We wonder.



NANNIE WATTS

Cohay, Smith County, Mississippi

With a natural antipathy for certain subjects in college, yet an ever-increasing love for others, she lived on day after day. No task assigned ever found in her a wavering spirit, but always self-reliance and self-determination.

She is always full of the charming grace and winsome manners that win for every girl the heart of others.

In my mind, I now picture her as the possibilities of the future have become realities. Seated at the stenographer's desk in one of the leading firms of the South, she answers fully the question: "What can a girl do?"

We are proud of Nannie, very proud, yet this picture is incomplete, for college influences are ever present. Let us leave her then as she is scoring 100 per cent in Housekeeping.





JESSE WILLIS WARE

Walnut Grove, Leake County, Miss.

"Be the master of your chances and let God be the Captain of your souls."

Jesse W. Ware discovered America in Walnut Grove, Leake county, Mississippi. He attended the Agricultural High School of his county after finishing the grammar school of his home town. He taught school three years in Leake county before he entered the Mississippi Normal College at Hattiesburg in the fall of 1916. During his second year in college, he joined the navy. After going through the war with distinction, he resumed his course of study where he had left off upon entering the war.

That Ware has a pleasant disposition and the confidence of his fellow students was shown by his being elected to the following offices:

President of the Prestonian Literary Society; representative to Blue Ridge Conference; vice-president of Student Government Association; cabinet member of "Y" as director of music; captain of basketball team; member of College Quartette; president of class.

Ware failed to finish his "Social Hour" course while in college, but has laid the foundation upon which to build later. His favorite subject is Math, and his greatest ambition is to be able to figure out how he may some day ride through Leake county on a railroad.



Diploma Class Prophecy 1920

I had been pegging away all winter at the university of my high school dreams working on a course in Journalism. When summer came, I decided to take my well-earned vacation by looking up my former classmates, those who were with me when I was graduated from the best school in the world—the Mississippi Normal College.

Four long years had passed since we marched triumphantly down the long aisle to the realization of our efforts—our diplomas. It seemed only yesterday that we were together discussing our failures and successes and consoling or congratulating, as the case might be.

Throughout these four years I had been thinking very often of the boys and girls and wondering if fate had been kind to them. At last I had thought of a way to find out about each of them.

By telegraphic communication, I located Mrs. Merkel, who, at a nearby university, had just been conferred a degree in science which she had been working on since graduating from the Normal.

Together we traced them out and what fun we had in finding them all. We decided to go south first, as it was probable we would find more of them there.

Imagine our surprise on reaching Memphis to find at the head of the editorial column of the Commercial Appeal, "B. B. Hilburn, Editor"—and further over in the paper an advertisement reading, "All persons wishing to apply for positions as instructors in the city schools address J. W. Ware, Superintendent City Schools."

On going over to Atlanta we found Willena Ratliff and Mattie Mae Broome at the head of a wonderful kindergarten, in which they were using methods they themselves originated and which were fast becoming known as the best and most modern methods for kindergarten use.

We barely got to see Margaret Childress and Susie Ellington. They were in New Orleans on the verge of embarking for Panama to do government work as inspectors of schools in the little republic.

In Gulfport at the Gulf Coast Military Academy we found that two members of the faculty were our classmates, R. C. Moore and J. B. George.

Our next destination was Mobile, where we found Nannie Watts in charge of a Normal school of physical education, and Susie Callahan leading the women's political faction in the city. (The women had been given the vote in these intervening years).

In North Mississippi there had been, since my absence, established a large hospital—better equipped and with better corps of trained nurses and physicians than any other in the South. On going through the buildings we

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had the surprise of our lives, for we met that afternoon in the corridor three of our classmates in nurses' uniform—Myrtis Fulton, Jessye Leflore and Mildred Barnett. They took us down to the lobby where another surprise awaited us, for in an adjoining office we saw Otho Messer. We wondered at his being there, for we knew that he was neither nurse nor physician, but a sign just outside the door reading, "Otho Messer, Bacteriologist," solved our problem.

In Meridian we found Gay Manton hurrying to catch a train. She told us she was one of the busiest women alive, doing special work for Miss Susie V. Powell.

Over in the Art Institute, we talked with Elsie Hatten, who was happy as she could be as an instructor in color harmony in the Institute.

In Laurel two familiar figures got on the train and proved to be Betty Ford and Louisa Parker, who were out gathering material for a book they were going to write, which was to be called, "How to Teach a Beginner to Read."

On our arrival in Hattiesburg—of course, you have guessed already our final objective—we went immediately to the Normal to see if any of the instructors knew the location of the rest of our class. Imagine our surprise to learn that several of the class members were in Europe.

Bernice Henderson and Rachel Wade were in Paris, Rachel studying the drama and Bernice, voice.

George McLendon had gone to Ireland to marry that lovely blue-eyed Irish girl we used to hear him rave about, and they were to come back to Mississippi to his delta plantation.

Mr. Cox was in Denmark studying the school system.

While we were still talking over the class, a big envelope was handed me by one of the instructors. It contained an announcement of the engagement and approaching marriage of Miss Kathryn Phillips, the wedding to be late in June. Kathryn, since her graduation, had been employed in Jackson as a Y. W. C. A. Secretary.

And so we found them all—here, there and everywhere—but for the most part either in Mississippi, close by Mississippi or coming back to Mississippi in the near future. And we were happy to have found it so, for it was as we had wished.

Senior Class History

It is not possible for me to say just when each member of our class cast his lot with the Normal College, for no two, perhaps, entered at the same time. But it was about four years ago that most of the class saw the need of professional training in teaching the boys and girls of our wonderful State.

Most of our boys had been here about two years when Uncle Sam said: "Down with the thing you call Kaiserism." So they left the work they were pursuing and went to defend our flag against the mighty Hun. After they had done their part in forcing the Germans back to the Rhine, they returned to their homes and at once took up again their work at the Normal College.

Our class was officially organized at the beginning of the session 1919-1920, with twenty-nine members. Since then we have had many mountain peaks to cross, but none have fallen by the wayside.

'Tis as a journey from the cold, barren shores of northern Canada to a land flowing with milk and honey. When we begin our journey, we find life a struggle for existence among the snow and ice of the Far North. We are cut off from all communication with the outside world. We proceed with great difficulties for six weeks when we run into a great snowstorm in the form of tests. We succeed in wading through the storm and the end of the next six weeks finds us on the shore of the great Hudson Bay. With a ship built of History, English, Geography and Mathematics, and a paddle made of Psychology, we steer safely across. We travel for a short time and are obliged to pitch our tents for the Christmas holidays. After we have had a long chat with Pa, Ma and the rest, we again pursue our journey. Travel is not so difficult from then on. Only a few obstacles are found in the form of Drawing, Geometry and Psychology.

We at last find ourselves in the good old state of Mississippi where we hope to spend the remainder of our lives teaching boys and girls.

The road has been long and rough, but we set out with the determination to conquer and conquer we have. We have not been overcome by obstacles that came in our pathway.

The memories of the past will always be treasured by the class of 1920, but we shall turn our faces toward the future and forgetting the things that are behind, press forward toward the prize of the calling which we have chosen.

—R. C. MOORE.

Spirit Class

NAME	NICK-NAME	BY WORD	OCCUPATION	WANTS TO BE	LIKELY TO BE
J. W. Ware	"Kid Jesse"	"Oh, you jelly-bean"	Jelly-beaning	Lady-killer	Movie star
B. C. Cox	"Long Boy"	"Where'd you git that stuff?"	Bluffing	Tennis champion	A fizzle
G. M. McLendon	"Mack"	"Has it aesthetic value?"	Undecided	Minister's son-in-law	jitney driver
E. C. Moore	Curtis	"For goodness sakes"	Singing	Math professor	Cabaret singer
A. B. George	"Jennie B."	"Ye-ss"	Anticipating	Superintendent	Shop-keeper
O. B. Hilburn	"Bennie"	"Well, let me see—"	Making announcements	Poet	Book agent
Otho Messer	"C. Messer"	"You win"	Complimenting the ladies	Pentist	A stump-speaker
Willena Ratliff	"Giggles"	"Hurry there"	Taking life easy	Dress designer	A nurse
Mattie Mae Broome	"Matsy"	"Oh, Honey"	Counting money	Blushing bride	Bank buster
Mildred Barnette	"Twin"	"Ah-h-h now"	Primping	Void of jewels (Garnet)	Private duty
Jessye Leflore	"Jessye Tom"	"Ah pshaw"	Blowing a French horn	A French lady	Basketball fiend
Kathryn Phillips	"Mother K. P."	"Hot chu salty"	Studying	Missionary	Married
Elsie Hatten	"Et"	"Don't you think?"	Generosity	Artist	Preacher's wife
Alma Pridgen	"Pridgen"	"Ah"	To get even	Toe-dancer	Bossed
Bettie Ford	"Bet"	"I don't think so"	Contradicting	Beautiful	Slum-worker
Susie Ellington	"Su-Su"	"Oh, Googie"	Studying "Wood-craft"	Tourist	A better half
Margaret Childress	"Marty"	"Ah, naw"	Studying geometry	Government nurse	Field worker
Louisa Parker	"Yeaze"	"I don't know, but—"	Writing petitions	President's wife	Disappointed old maid
Gay Manton	"Grandmother"	"Mercy"	Peacefulness	College instructor	Comedian
Susie Callihan	"Snoozie"	"It seems to me—"	Self-confidence	Pharmacist	Swine tender
Laura Lee Ball	"Lah Lee"	"Good-night"	Dressing her hair	Angelic	A clerk
Myrtis Fulton	"Myrt"	"The idea"	Quietness	Competent	Housewife
Nannie Watts	"Peggy"	"Lordie"	Dutiful	Stewardess	Happy
Mrs. Merkel	"Patience"	"Do you reckon?"	Affection	Efficient	Coat model
Beulah May D'Olive	Beulah	"Goodness"	Dodging text-books	Globe-trotter	Poetess
Rachel Wade	"Way-Way"	"For crum sakes"	Talking	Society leader	Impersonator
Bernice Henderson	"Bernie"	"Ye Gods"	Slang	Dignified	Doctor's wife

Things we Seldom See

Willena Ratliff without her sewing.
Ethel Allman without Anna Vernon Holder.
Alma Pridgen in a hurry.
Clytee Barnes without her shopping bag.
Mutt Campbell not chewing gum.
Mr. Hays flustrated.
Rufus Johnson at rest.
Miss Herrington "dressed up."
Grady Ramsey not making "chin music."
Mr. McMillin talking without using his hands.
Helen Clayton without a grin.
Blanche Fowler doing as she is told.
Addie Lou Smith expressing what she means.
Miss Hanel make a misstep off the porch.
Jimmie Busby with tousled hair.
Iris McAlister jiggling.
Ruby Rose wasting time.
Jennie Ree Turner at home.
Aileen Stennis unless causing a disturbance.
Pete Downer looking serious.
F. L. French without kodak pictures.
Martha Richards perfectly satisfied.
Bennie Hilbun confused.
Drawing 3 class not observing rythm.
Mr. Jackson make a "brief" announcement.
Gay Manton doing fancy stunts.
Annie McDaniels not rushing madly into meals.
Ella Fayard without a letter from her "Sweetie."
Miss Hickman not day-dreaming.
Miss Jones not inquiring for someone during meals.
Other Messer without his note-book.
V. C. Cagle without tools in his hip pocket.
Johnny McKay not jelly-beaning.
Kathryn Phillips without dimples.
Sallie Jackson without her eye-shade.
C. C. Barefoot without a reply.
Miss Bolton at breakfast promptly.
Elsie Hatten not on business for Y. W. C. A.
Julia Wilson without a date.
Emily Cook not star-gazing.
Lynn McCleskey without his specks.
Hinton Vandiver not giving suggestions.
John Purvis awake in class.
P. R. Arrington without his hands in his pockets.
Jessye Leflore out of humor.
Mattie Mai Broome not expressing her opinion.
Will Wood not eating.
Mildred Barnette with enough dessert.
Mr. Ritter with unpolished shoes.



HERBERT NIX



MRS. OLA FILLINGAME



ETHEL ALLMAN



KATE LEGGET



FANNY PAXTON

Certificate Class



MARY WATSON



SALLIE WELLS



MARI HUDSON



MARY PIGOTT



LUCIE WATTERS



BESSIE SANDETS



HAZEL PORTER



BLANCHE FOWLER



B. C. COX



JEANNETTE SINGLETARY



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VIOLA BROWN



RUTH BAXTER



LEILA BRILL



EMMA MERRITT



ROWENA OWENS

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VERA OWENS



RENA JACOBS



RUBY ROSE



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WINONA LYLE



MONTIE MICHAEL



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LESLIE ANSLER



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MYRA GATEWOOD



ERNESTINE SCOTT



THELMA SMITH



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OSMA STRAHAN



ANNIE RUTH
AINSWORTH



DIXIE CLANTON



GERTRUDE WOODLEY

Certificate Class History

In the year of 1920, in the State of Mississippi, in answer to a call for the bravest and most efficient pedagogs to embark on an unknown voyage to the land of certificatedom, where were kept the famous sheets of parchment, known to hide all signs of ignorance, fifty-nine strong and faithful explorers met at the rendezvous, the Mississippi Normal College. Robing themselves in costumes of inquisition, they settled for the task.

Hardly had they set sail before the storm began, and although the ship was steered by a prominent Pilot, accompanied by shipmate, the passengers felt inclined to turn back. But on being encouraged by the steady engineer, they agreed to sail on. Alas! they struck the cesspool of Psychology and faint-hearted they grew, and only by constant cramming did the pale-eyed, tear-stained voyagers keep sailing.

On the journey many difficulties were encountered—so many sea monsters were constantly lurking in every direction. Seeing that the dangers were as great if they turned back, as they went ahead, the crew ploughed away through the stormy sea.

There was that terrible animal called "Drawing," whom no one seemed able to conquer, nor were they any less afraid of penmanship. But the worst of all was that terrible beast called "English." It was present during the entire journey.

Mixed with the sorrows of this course, came the joys. The ocean was not always stormy, but at times it was calm and peaceful. My! how the sailors enjoyed the wonderful ball games, as well as the good programs given in chapel. Sometimes they glided along unmolested.

Many times did they cry for land! land! before even the trees were out of sight, but at last one May day in 1920 they reached the land of sun and flowers. Yes, the voyagers were devoutly thankful and heaved a sigh as they uttered, "Finished yet beginning."

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MATRON, FORREST CO. HALL



MRS. LOUISE LIRSCUMB
MATRON, MISS. HALL



Faculty

NAME	IS	HAS	INTERESTED IN	NEVER
Mr. Joe Cook	Head mucky-muck	Sense of humor	Conservation	Fails to get there on time
Mr. T. P. Scott	Assistant mucky-muck	Strong personality	Better salaries for teachers	Forgets
Mr. H. L. McCleskey	Head classifier	A family	Americanization	Gets out of patience
Mr. G. G. Hurst	A repressor	An eagle eye	Shedding information	Assigns a lesson
Mr. J. N. McMillin	A tall guy	Interesting classes	Shakespeare	Gets grouchy
Mr. R. J. Slay	The boys' favorite	A generous wife	Athletics	Is sarcastic
Mr. S. E. Woods	Persevering	Strong will-power	Vocational education	Shirks duty
Mr. T. F. Jackson	Practical	A Ford car	Animal husbandry	Forgets "to mention it"
Mr. S. C. Hall	A pure Democrat	Admirable traits	Social Economics	Slights the text-book
Mr. C. E. Thomas	A close observer	An animated face	Making tables	Misses Chapel
Mr. B. B. O'Mara	In love	A dignified air	Preventive hygiene	Goes to faculty meetings
Miss Hanel	A sketcher	Decided opinions	Right perspective	Gets fussed
Miss Campbell	A pattern designer	Contentment	Trousseau	Sings alone
Miss Herrington	Full of "pep"	A round intellect	Cosmetics	Slights a typewriter
Miss Hickman	Well balanced	Sympathy	Women's rights	Gets rested
Miss Bolton	Dignified	Untold knowledge	Social hour	Gets to meals punctually
Miss Tomson	Boss of Music Department	No use for fun	Orchestra	Forgets she is a musician
Miss Hooper	A character moulder	Originality	"Socialization"	Behind hand
Miss Jones	Accommodating	Rhythm	Variety of beads	Gets to car station on time
Miss Pulley	Pert	Found—a pencil	Beautiful penmanship	Tattles
Miss Skinner	Good-looking	Art of playing wonderfully	Harmony	Leaves a task undone
Miss Smith	Grub-furnisher	"Good cats"	Desserts	Ceases work
Miss Tolbert	Attractive	Brown eyes	Calorific values	Fails to assign references
Miss Gillard	Little Lady cut-out	A violin	Music	Talks freely
Miss Robinson	Head bandager	A regular job	Tennis	Fails to give precautions
Miss Vandiver	Assistant Secretary	Good opinions	B. N. Club	Forgets "Patsy"
Mrs. Henderson	Prim	A temper	Aesthetic dancing	Forgets her coffee
Mrs. Wall	A mother to the boys	A pleasing manner	Well-kept dormitory	Forgets to call for her mail
Mrs. Cook	Precise	High ideals	Her rose garden	Slights her church work
Mrs. Lipscomb	Good-natured	Respect of the girls	Life comforts	Talks fast
Mr. Hays	Accurate	System	Accounting	Hurries
Dr. Crawford	Pill-roller	The confidence of all	Prophylactic treatment	Gives up hope



ORCHESTRA

"I Hear America Singing."—Walt Whitman.

Music is not for the few but for all; even the greatest music should be brought within reach of the simplest home. This can be done only by teaching it in the public schools. The Normal College, through the department of music, which includes public school music, piano and violin, is endeavoring to bring the best music to Mississippi through the schools. The girls' glee club, the male quartette and the college orchestra add much to the life of the Normal College. We feel a pardonable pride in our music department.



GIRLS' GLEE CLUB



MUSIC STUDY CLUB



BOYS' QUARTETTE

Student Government

There are numerous reasons for the establishment of student government in a college, but the one thing on which this government is founded is a clearer recognition of individual growth and development. If we should paraphrase the quotation: "If I supply you with a thought, you may remember it and you may not. But if I make you think a thought for yourself, I have, indeed, added to your stature," we have the theory underlying student government as: "If I force you to do right, you may continue to do right when the force is removed or you may not; but, if I cause you to do right of your own accord, I have indeed helped to develop your character." For the individual to grow in character, that individual must be made in a large part to rely upon himself, think his own thoughts and act as his own conscience may dictate. Of course, he must have the right kind of influences and environment, the right kind of advice and example for his elders. At first the little child has to be given positive commands with no other reason for obeying them than that they are the will of his parents and teachers. As his reason develops and his conscience is awakened, he needs to be as free to exercise these as it is possible for him to be. Of course, we all realize that some form of law must exist. All the works of nature, history, art, and the science teach this great truth. In a school of three or four hundred students, there must be some general rules of conduct on which all agree, and to which all conform. Hence the question arises, how can individual freedom and necessary law be secured at the same time?

The answer to this question is student government. Then, what does student government mean? It means that the student body not only elects the officers to enforce the rules, but also that, to a large extent, the student body makes the laws, subject to the supervision of the President of the College and an advisory board of the faculty. Thus the students come to consider what laws are best and why it is necessary to have laws at all. It may be said that young people are not very wise in making laws at all, but college students are not children. The time will soon come when they must think for themselves, must decide what is right for them to do; in short, soon they must govern themselves. Student government would give us the best possible opportunity to exercise our own sense of right and to practice self-control. It would make us realize that "no man liveth to himself," but that each one is a part of society, and that he cannot disobey the laws of society without injuring others as well as himself. It would teach the student to live sanely and lawfully while in college under conditions as nearly like that of his after-life as it is possible for them to be.

Student government was adopted the first year of the college, 1912. However, the system then in operation was not the same as the present system, for under the old system the students had charge of the violations of only a few regulations, such as cheating and misconduct on the campus. Some member of the faculty roomed on each floor and had charge of the study period at night. The powers of the students, as far as they extended, de-

Student Government

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veloped strength, but they did not extend far enough for the healthiest moral growth. During the past two years, because of the existing war conditions and the presence of the S. A. T. C., no form of student government existed. Consequently, student government was reorganized on a new and different basis this year. When this session opened, the president of the college, desiring to have better order in the dormitories, made some new regulations and requested that these be strictly obeyed. The student body, seeing in this a splendid opportunity for moral growth, met with the president and requested that the power to enforce these regulations be placed in their hands. The president granted the request, under the condition that it must be recalled if it proved a failure. Out of this situation grew our present system of student government.

This system provides for the election of the officers and the Honor Council men and women by the student body, just as the old system did with the addition of house chairman and proctor. Each floor has the privilege of electing its proctor who is responsible for the order on his or her floor. The proctors report to the house chairman, who, in turn, reports to the honor council. All violations of student rules are dealt with by this body. The reports of the proceedings of the honor council are handed in to the president of the college for his approval.

The pupils are being given more freedom as the president of the college sees that they are more able to exercise this freedom for their own good. They are doing fully as good work, and the order in the dormitories is as good if not better than under the old system. A spirit of democracy prevails in the college and all that pertains to the welfare of the college is to the interest of all, making it a pleasanter and more agreeable place in which to live.

The officers of the student body have been well chosen. Under their supervision and the intelligent and sympathetic co-operation of the faculty and student body, we feel that the student government organization has played and will continue to play a very important part in the progress of our beloved college toward the ideal for which it strives.



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VICE PRESIDENT'S HOME



COLLEGE HALL (ACADEMIC BUILDING)



MISSISSIPPI HALL (A DORMITORY FOR WOMEN)

The Young Women's Christian Association

The Y. W. C. A. is one of the big factors in the life of the girls. From the time they enter college, this organization is a big sister to them. It not only helps them go through the routine of getting clasified and located generally, but it also, through friendly association, helps them get over that awful homesick feeling. Best of all it soon gives them work to do and thus trains them in that greatest of all things—Christian service.



The Young Men's Christian Association

The influence of the Young Men's Christian Association at the Normal College has steadily increased since the time of its organization, eight years ago. The purposes of the Y. M. C. A. are to convert unsaved men, to familiarize men with the teachings of the Bible, to make every man a better man and every Christian a better Christian, to develop Christian leadership, to develop social leadership, to provide for a wholesome recreation for the students, to inspire and encourage young men, to establish and maintain a high standard of morals, and to prove the practicability of religion.

At the opening of the session, committees meet all trains to assist new students in getting to the college and making proper disposition of their baggage.

The Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. join hands in providing for receptions and suitable entertainments on proper occasions where every student has the opportunity of meeting every other student of the college at a common place of enjoyment. Efforts are made to afford plenty of good wholesome fun for all.

The regular mid-week prayer meeting is devoted to prayer, Christian leadership, spiritual growth and character building. Elements concerned in the making of a noble manhood are studied and discussed, such as honor, cheerfulness, opportunity, persistence, self-improvement, duty, purpose, love and character.

The morning watch enables the boys to gather in small groups, quietly and undisturbed, to engage in prayer, bringing about a closer relationship between the individual and God.

The two Associations provide classes in Bible Study for personal information and spiritual development. The Sunday evening services, at which time a minister, layman, faculty member or student has been secured to speak, have been so conducted as to mean the most possible to the college. During the series of services held every session, a special effort is made to reach every non-Christian student.

The members have been very thoughtful of the needy and unfortunate of the community. A valuable service has been rendered by contributions, labor and numerous other deeds.

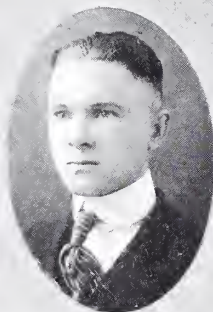
As a result of sending six delegates to the Conference at Blue Ridge, N. C., last June and one to the National Conference at Detroit, Mich., in October, many marked benefits have come to the Association.

We are trusting that the Y. M. C. A. will continue to grow, gain influence, and acquire recognition as a great organization in the future even more rapidly than in the past. The foundation has been well begun. May its progress continue.

—B. B. H.



F.L. FRENCH
SECT.



BENNIE HILBUN
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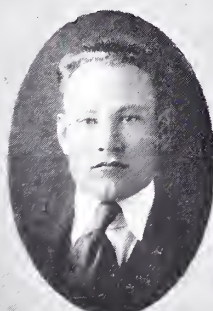
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P-R-E-S-T-O-N-I-A-N

P—urity of heart and deed,
For this Prestonians stand;
For nobleness in thought and word,
For honor in our land.

R—eady always for the hour,
To answer duty's call;
We'll do the work with all our might,
Where'er our lot may fall.

E—ntering in with cheerfulness,
Our labors we've begun.
We'll never stop or quit the fight,
Until life's days are done.

S—lothfulness will netver do,
If life we would not waste;
We'll always keep ourselves prepared,
And to our duties haste.

T—ruthfulness to fellowmen,
Is what the whole world needs;
So let us in the fertile soil,
Keep sowing goodly seeds.

O—nward, upward day by day,
Our pennant we shall raise;
'Till in the sunny Dixie land,
Our works the people praise.

N—earer, nearer toward the goal,
Our land each day does rise.
For soon we hope to reach the top
And there to win the prize

I—n our band and we're always glad,
To welcome one and all;
It pleases us to have you pay
A visit to our hall.

A—lways will we try to stand,
Upon the side of right;
And may we never duty shirk,
Nor cease to work with might.

N—ever, never shall we leave,
The dear old Presto, band;
For this we know without a doubt,
It's first in all the land.

M. D. D.—A former Prestonian.






VIVIAN REYNOLDS

MARTHA RICHARDS VALERIA CARPENTER

KATE LEGGETT





GRACE HAND

ELIZABETH ANDING

BERTHA VALENTINE





GERTRUDE WOODLEY

ANNIE MACCAIN

RACHEL WADE






MYRA GATEWOOD

MATTIE MAI BROOM CORINNE NORRELL

MILDRED BARNETT







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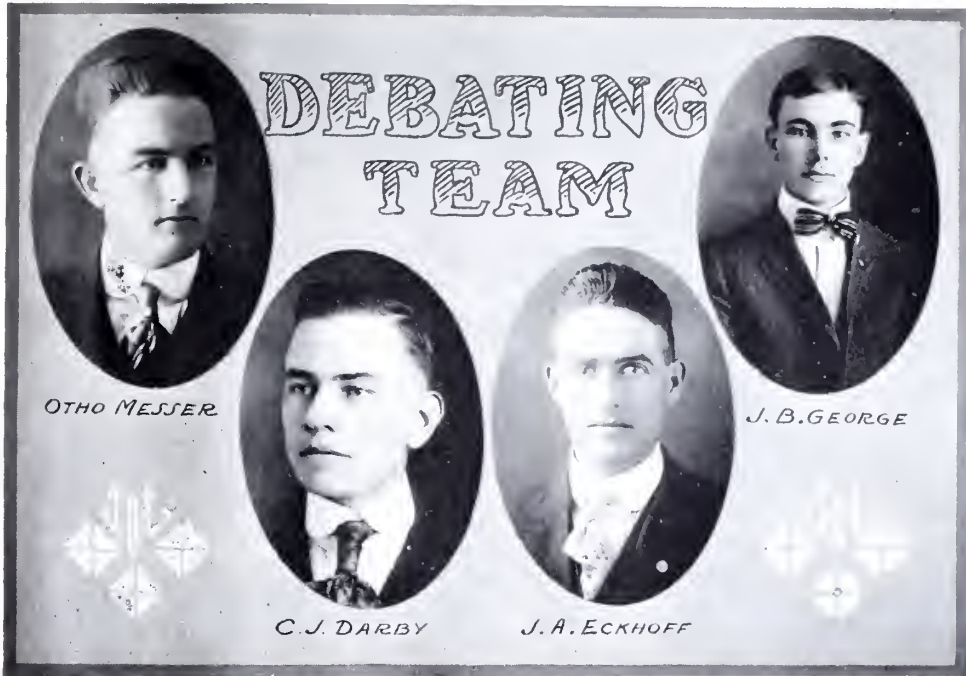
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During the session of 1919-20, the Normal College debating team met Mississippi College and Clark Memorial College in the annual triangular debate. The subject was: "Resolved that an inefficient self-government is better than an efficient government from without." Otho Messer and J. B. George championed the negative side against Clark Memorial at the Normal College, winning the decision by a unanimous vote. C. J. Darby and J. E. Eckhoff championed the affirmative side against Mississippi College, losing by one vote. At the same time Mississippi College affirmative lost to Clark Memorial. In the total number of votes cast, the Normal College received four, Mississippi College two, and Clark Memorial three.



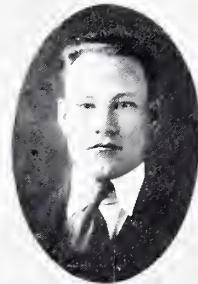
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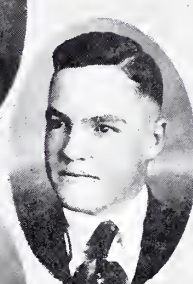
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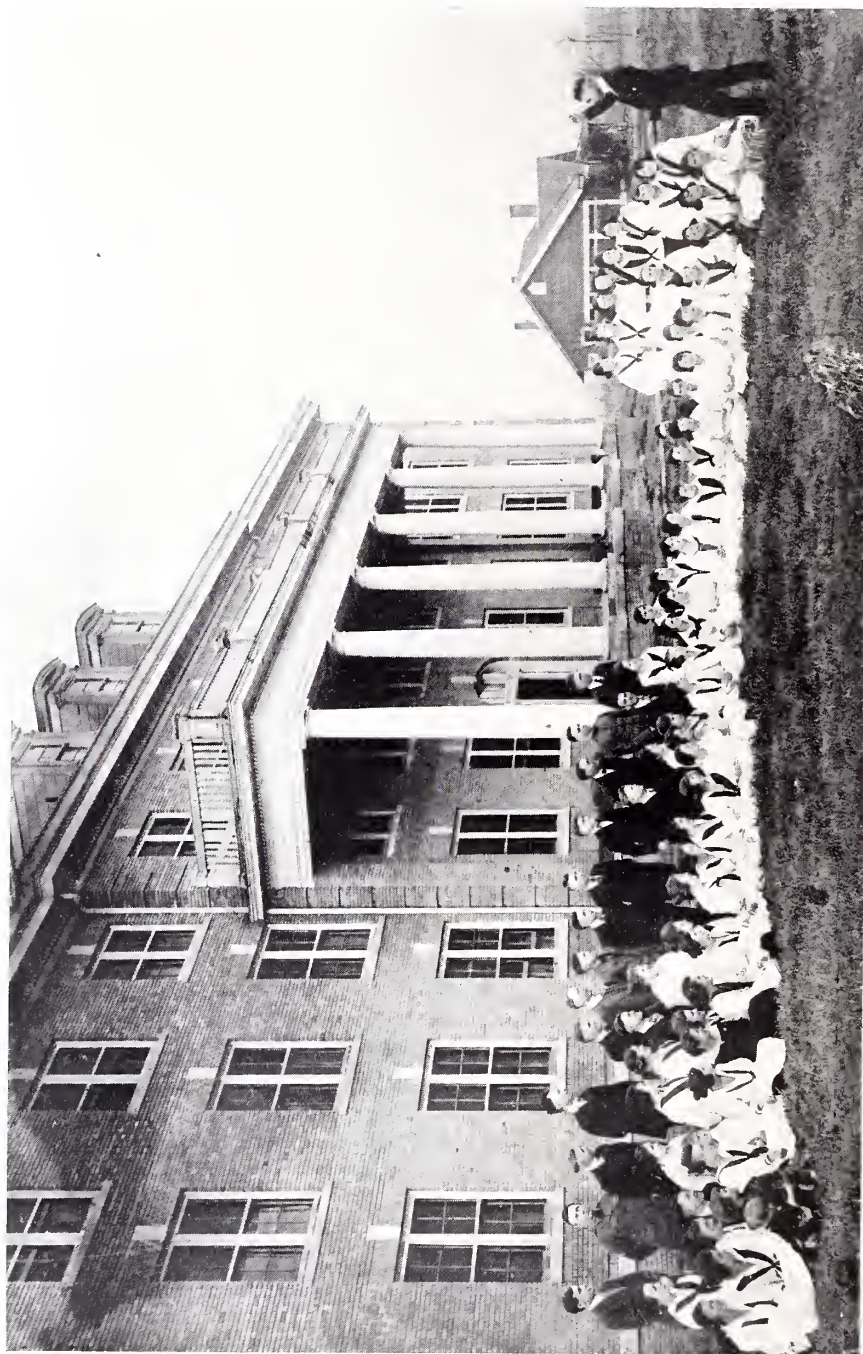
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MARTHA WASHINGTON CLUB

Social Life at the Normal College

What a democratic institution the Normal College must be!

To hear the students talk of social hour, you at once come to the conclusion that it is the most important function they have. The fact that they are interested in it goes to prove that they have College Spirit and are interested in each other. There is no jealousy or rivalry among them. I suppose this is one way they have of living up to the "Social Efficiency" idea, that is stressed in almost every class.

I imagine that at this hour the lobby is crowded with groups of carefree boys and girls. Each group is laughing and talking. Do you suppose they are discussing their school duties? Well, hardly. This is the time for recreation and not troubles. There is such a chattering that it is impossible to discover the various topics of conversation. Perhaps some are telling jokes, others stories, and still others, whose minds, perchance, are inclined toward deep thoughts, are discussing Woman Suffrage.

What tricks one's imagination can play on him! Social Hour at the Normal College is not what I thought it would be. I will still say that it is a democratic institution; however, social hour is not the time for them to demonstrate their democracy.

I did not realize my mistake until one Sunday, when I was walking on the campus during social hour. The campus was dotted with groups of students—yes, they were groups, but groups of two. One couple was coming toward me, but I passed them by unseen as they seemed to be mutually interested. The next couple I encountered was taking life leisurely under the shade of a little pine, unconscious of the broiling sun that was shining on them, regardless of the efforts of the tree.

Finding the scenery so interesting, I continued my observation. A few feet farther there was a couple reposing on the top of the stile—a very appropriate place, since they seemed to be undecided about some matter. Perhaps they were having a quarrel. The two to the left of the stile were conversing, but they seemed to be contented with their lot.

In conclusion I would say, "In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love."



Chapel Speeches---"I'm Glad to be Here"

Of all the peculiar feelings a student ever had, the consciousness of being present and hearing most of the speeches in chapel is the strangest of them all. You are not tired because you have had only two "tests"; you are not sick because it is not office hours at the infirmary. You are not disappointed because it is about what you expected to hear. You are not surprised because there is nothing unusual. Neither are you discouraged or disgusted. That is not the object of the speech. Nor have you nostalgia. But, there is an indescribable sensation which quiets you into a very peculiar feeling when the speaker begins by saying, "I'm glad to be here and look into your intelligent faces." Now, if this were the first time for months or even weeks that you had heard a similar "line," you would probably feel somewhat different. Not so! You very soon recall all former speeches and their associated feeling when the speaker continues, "Yes, it is an inspiration to look into the bright faces of the future teachers of Mississippi. Your profession is second to none."

Well, by now you know what is to follow, so you are content to listen patiently—for the bell. After the worst is over you wander toward the dining hall hoping that no one asks: "What happened in chapel today?"

**"A LITTLE
NONSENSE NOW
AND THEN"**



The “Bolshevik” Club

Officers

President	Beef Downer
Vice-president	Cow-Catcher Campbell
Secretary and Treasurer	Durham McCleskey
Business Manager	A. Holstein Ritter
Coroner and Undertaker	Goat Ramsey
Silent Partner	John Anthony Purvis
Milker	Boney C. Cox
Pall Bearer	Sorrel-Top McCleskey

Membership

Beef Downer, Gurnsey McLendon, Durham McCleskey, Cow - Catcher Campbell, Sorrel-Top McCleskey, Bony C. Cox, Razor-Back French, Ox Meser, Duroe French, Calf Johnson, Bull Dog Woods, Red Pole Busby, Trotzky Shirley, Aleck E. Busby, Black Smith, Angus Busby, Shorthorn Clayton, C. Jersey Darby, Goat Ramsey, A. Holstein Ritter, John Anthony Purvis.

Color	Red
Favorite Song	Hail! Hail! The Gang's All Here
Flowers	Red Roses and Buttercups
Pass Word	Hunting the Zoo
Motto	Watch Your Step

The “Bolshevik” Club was organized at the Mississippi Normal College in the session of 1919-1920. The purpose of said club is to do as much work as possible to get out of work; to store away knowledge where there is no room; and to furnish information on the values of Campus Course, Volley Ball, Tiddle-de-Wink, and other unnecessary undertakings at the Normal College. This club has proved to be a great help to the faculty by outlining courses for certain new students. The members of the club shall be long remembered for having made Campus Course optional. This session several new students were gratified to learn that this course was no longer compulsory.

The “Bolsheviks” have put on a campaign for “more beef and less gravy.” The club voted unanimously that the cooks discontinue washing the mackerel before serving, since water destroys its greatest quality—fragrance.



The "Beau Not" Club

MOTTO: "Full many a flower is born to blush unseen and waste its fragrance on the desert air."

PURPOSE: Consolation and Revenge.

EMBLEM: Cantaloupe.

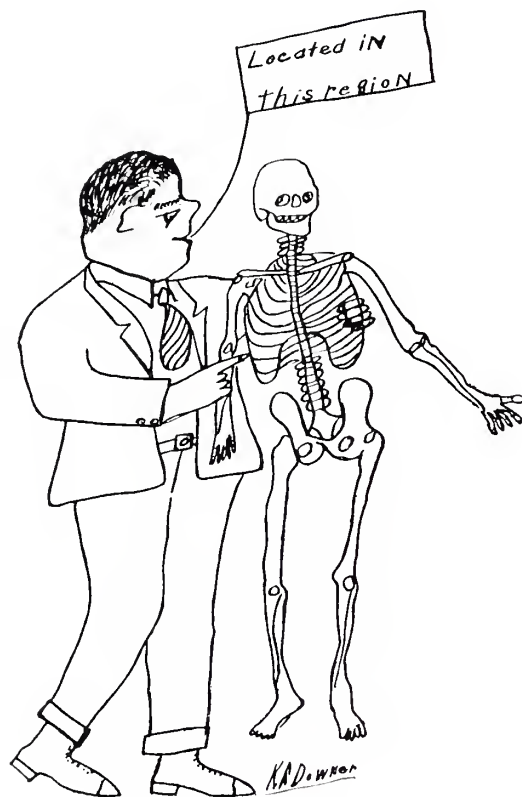
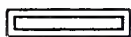
MASCOT: Parlie Campbell.

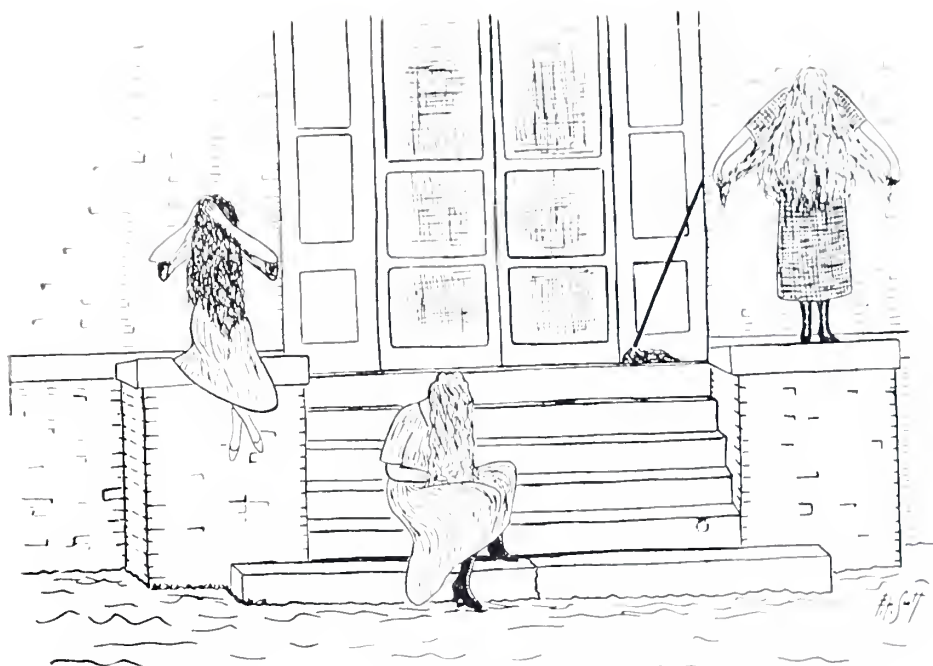
Members

Maggie Childress	Martha Richards	Ethie Howerton	Maria Scruggs
Sall Maria Jackson	Amanda Smith	Patty Lewis	Ruthie
Stewart	Mollie Michael	Hinny Vandiver	

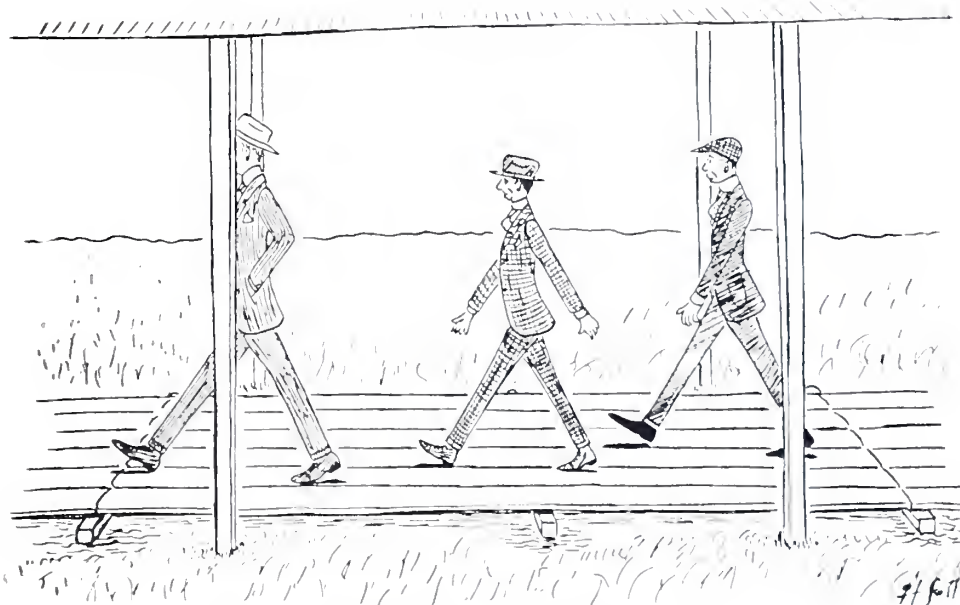


SOCIAL HOUR AT THE P.O.





SATURDAY MORNING AT H'BURG HALL



SUNDAY AFTERNOON VISITORS

Common Sayings

Bernice Henderson: "I'm so unhappy."
Elsie Hatten: "Isn't it so, Alma Pridgen?"
Louisa Parker: "Oh, 'dear', without any horn."
Mildred Barnett: "Is tonight social hour?"
Margaret Childress: "I'm so peeved."
Bettie Ford: "Have you see my new hat?"
Susie Ellington: "Does Glee Club meet tonight?"
Willena Ratliff: "Have the rings come?"
Laura Lee Ball: "Is my hair straight?"
Myrtis Fulton: "Mr. Hurst will give a test in psychology, I know."
Susie Callihan: "Oh, that's easy."
Kathryn Phillips: "Won't that be nice?"
Gay Manton: "Has the last bell rung?"
Mattie Mai Broome: "Box rent due."
Mrs. Merkel: "I never will pass that psychology."
Beulah May D'Olive: "Do you think that is a good reason?"
Otho Messer: "Have you seen Miss Barnette?"
Nannie Watts: "I just can't get that right."
Jessye Leflore: "I wish the mail would come."
Bennie Hilbun: "I'd like to meet the reporters for the N .C. News."
Jesse Ware: "For cram sake!"
B. C. Cox: "Have you turned in your material for the annual?"
J. B. George: "Now let's don't fall down on this proposition."
R. C. Moore: "Any 'Moore' mail?"
Geo. McLendon: "We'll have a meeting of the Honor Council to-night."
Alma Pridgen: "I can't be bothered."
Rachel Wade: "Bernice, did you deliver my note to the Corner Drug Store?"
Mr. Cook: "There is a time for all things."
Mr. Scott: "A-hem, I would like to see the following in my office—"
Mr. McMillin: "Class, I dare you to tell this."
Mr. Hurst: "Well, any questions?"
Mr. Hall: "What does the text-book say about it?"
Mr. McCleskey: "Oh, I have an announcement that may interest a few."
Mr. O'Mara: "What do the red corpuscles carry?"
Miss Herrington: "I'd like to meet the basketball girls on the court."
Miss Jones: "Did someone lose this handkerchief?"
Miss Bolton: "What are the possibilities for agriculture in China?"
Miss Hickman: "Oh, Lands, where have I lost that?"
Miss Hanel: "There's this, class, ——"
Miss Pulley: "Girls, you will have to make less noise."
Miss Skinner: "I would like to meet these girls in my studio—"
Miss Tomson: "Don't drag this song."
Miss Tolbert: "Find the calorific value of this recipe."
Miss Campbell: "Take a running stitch then a back stitch."
Miss Hooper (to Ed. 13 Class): "Take the rest of Gilbert's for to-morrow."
Miss Gillard: "I forgot my violin."
Miss Robinson: "Just swallow this down."
Miss Leech: "Do you just have to go to town this afternoon?"
Miss Vandiver: "Let's get some 'pep' into this yell."
Mrs. Henderson: "I'd like to meet the Breezy Point girls in chapel."
Mrs. Cook: "I'm so disgusted with so much 'Social Hour'."
Mr. Hays: "Do you want to deposit all of this money?"
Mr. Cagle: "We shall have the picture show Friday night."

Athletic Activities

To give an accurate account of the good accomplished on the athletic field this session is impossible. To know the results one must see the students as they entered, and see them as they went away. Many of us recall certain students, who, when they made their first appearance on the different courts, were practically "weaklings" with a sunken chest and colorless cheeks. We still know each other in many respects, but in strength and health all of us have changed. We have worked out a system that requires every student to take a certain amount of exercise a week. This involves all branches of athletics.

Especially did we break the Normal's record in football. During the past season we stood only one defeat in football. This game was lost to Mississippi College, a team that has, during our history, defeated us, sometimes by a very large score. But the Normal held these visitors to an even score until the last ten minutes of play, when Mississippi College pulled the score to 19 to 7. The past season was one of unusual interest. The students of the Normal College manifested an unexcelled spirit in football games. They stood behind their team with the "pep" that stimulated every successful attempt on our gridiron. In seven games played by the Normal College, there were only 31 scores made against us, while we scored 100 against opposing teams.

In basketball the boys played under very adverse circumstances. Our regular schedule could not be carried out due to the different colleges being quarantined from time to time. Still the team made a fair record, both in the City League and against other colleges. It is true that the opposing teams scored more than did the Normal team, but the Normal saw its team play some of the strongest teams of the State, and rejoices with the team to know that when defeated it was by a very few points.

Girls' basketball continues to hold a foremost place in athletics for girls of the Normal College. The field of athletics for girls has not been so broad as for boys, but they have shown beyond a doubt that the girls can put out a winning team in anything they undertake.

The pride of the college was the girls' basketball team. They were well supported by the students and faculty in every game. The great athletic spirit of the college, which was aroused during the football season, grew stronger throughout the year. Everybody had the utmost confidence in the girls because we knew they were going to win.

Not once did they fail to bring back the scalp of their opposing teams. This is the first time in the history of the college any of our teams have made such a record. The hardest-fought game of the season was with the Mississippi Woman's College. It was a close game at times, but our team came out easy victors.

A more extensive schedule was planned but the influenza epidemic caused it to be cut off somewhat. We believe we would now hold State championship if our girls had had the opportunity to carry out their original schedule.



R.J. SLAT
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR



B. O'MARA COACH
FOOT BALL CAPT.



NETTIE HARRINGTON
BASKET BALL COACH



MILDRED BARNETT
V. P. ATHLETIC ASSN



OTHO MESSER
PRES. ATHLETIC
ASSN



H.G. RAMSEY
CAPT. BASE BALL



SUSIE ELLINGTON
SECY. ATHLETIC ASSN.



W.C. SMITH. CAPT
BASKET BALL



MARY E. ALLEN
CAPT. BASKET BALL.

ATHLETIC OFFICERS



M. N. C. Foot Ball Squad

LINE UP

B. O'Mara, C., Captain

A. H. Parsons, G.

D. H. Lane, L. T.

Zack Lee, R. E.

R. M. Williams, Q. B.

John Montgomery, R. H.

Coaches—Anderson, Wilder.

H. L. McCleskey, Jr., G.

C. C. Campbell, R. T.

James Vinson, L. E.

Roland Herrington, G.

J. R. Busby, L. H.

Clarence Holloman, F. B.

Mascot—Arthur Hays, Jr.

SUBSTITUTES

V. C. Cagle, F. B.

W. H. Wood, H. B.

W. C. Smith, E.

J. R. Johnson, Q. B.

K. F. Downer, G.

Cornelius, E.

J. W. McCleskey, E.



GIRLS' VOLLEY BALL TEAM



BOYS' VOLLEY BALL TEAM



TENNIS CLUB

Base Ball

The most technical game of all is baseball. We are proud of the fact that we put out a team this season that is regarded as the best hitting team in the State. This has been said of our team by several local baseball fans as well as by many opposing teams. The Normal College seldom retains its team for two consecutive years on account of the members finishing their course and leaving the school. Therefore, we must work in a new team each year. And we claim to send out some good players to other colleges, after the men have finished here. This has been our fortunate year in obtaining trained pitchers. The staff is so complete that we have a good pitcher for every game, where a series of games is to be played. We have already won some victories and expect to win many more before the season is over. The greatest victory of all was the defeat of "Ole Miss" May 4 in the second game at Kamper Park.



Base Ball Squad

B. O'Mara, Catcher.
H. G. Ramsey, First Base.
J. R. Busby, Third Base.
N. R. Clayton, Left Field.
A. C. Busby, Right Field

Ed Shirley, Pitcher and Center Fielder.
John Montgomery, Pitcher and Shortstop.
W. Z. Busby, Second Base and Pitcher
W. H. Wood, Center Field and Short Stop
C. C. Campbell, Left Field.

SUBSTITUTES

Bob McRary, Center Field.
J. R. Johnson, Left Field.

C. J. Darby, Center Field.
Edward Cook, Center Field.



Varsity Basketball Team

J. T. Montgomery (Forward)	G. G. Evans (Center)
J. D. Runnels (Forward)	W. C. Smith (Guard) Captain
J. W. Ware (Guard)	



Girls' Varsity Basket Ball Team

Mary E. Allen	} Forwards	Vivian Reynolds	} Guards
Mildred Barnett		Christine Green	
Jennie Ree Turner	} Center	Elizabeth Cook, Mascot	
Helen Clayton			
Jessie Leflore	} Substitutes		
Ora Saucier			



Second Team Basketball

H. G. Bates (Forward)

H. L. McCleskey (Center)

C. L. Riggan (Forward)

Zack Lee (Guard)

J. E. Shirley (Guard)



Gym Club

Aside from the different athletic teams the Normal has, this year, a splendid Gym Club, which is very interesting and instructive to the Gym students. The work is given in such a manner as to appeal to those who desire physical training.

Another activity is the Hiking Club, which provides an opportunity for those who are not interested in regular athletics, but who like to take their exercise in the good old English way.



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